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E.O. 11652: GDS TAGS: FR, PFOR, CG

SUBJECT: ATTACK ON ZAIRE

REFS: (A) STATE 065354; (B) AMEMBASSY PARIS 08852.

- 1. FRENCH 5.56MM AMMUNITION CAN BE FIRED WITHOUT RESERVATION FROM U.S. M16 RIFLES.
- 2. AMMUNITION IS PRESENTLY BEING PRODUCED IN SMALL QUANTITIES BY ALM FACTORY IN LE MANS FOR USE BY FRENCH ARMED FORCES IN THE TESTING OF NEW FRENCH RIFLE. NO AMMUNITION IS BEING STOCKED BY MOD AT THIS TIME.
- 3. FRENCH MIGHT BE INTERESTED IN SELLING THE AMMUNITION IN LARGER QUANTITIES IN THE FUTURE, WITH PRODUCTION LEAD TIME DEPENDING ON QUANTITIES DESIRED. NO TECHNICAL PROBLEMS EXIST FOR GOING INTO LARGER PRODUCTION BASE.
- 4. FRENCH MOD REPRESENTATIVE STATES THAT SALES TO CONFIDENTIAL

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